

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
Board Meeting Minutes – October 6, 2017 8:30 AM**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met Friday, October 6, 2017 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair
Endsley Real, CSW, Vice-Chair
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT
Ben Marion, CSW/MFT
Tommy Black, LPC
Bonnie Barker, LPC

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Karen Warren-Rosas, MSW
Jack Perryman, LPC
Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT
(Consumer Member-VACANT)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1
Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Hope Harrison, Licensure Analyst

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)

Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA
Karen Starks, NASW GA
Sherri Rawsthorn, GSCSW

Steve Livingston, Chair, established a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

Agenda: Approve as presented

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board entered into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, Applicant Interviews, review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes, receive reports from the Boards Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints) and the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Livingston, Real, Klock-Powell, Marion, Black and Barker.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, October 6, 2017, Mr. Livingston of the Board declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Applications:

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff.

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Marion seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Professional Counselor applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to refer the Licensed Professional Counselor reinstatement application of L.E. to legal for a Public Consent Order as recommended by the Board, and in addition, for the Boards Executive Director to sign the signed Board Order received between meetings by express permission, submit for docketing and issue reinstatement of license. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to refer the LPC application of D.M. to the AG's office as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Black and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Renewal Issues:

- P.H.

Recommendation:

Schedule for Interview

PSC Committee: Applicant Interviews:

- R.H.
- N.C.
- J.A.
- D.H.
- L.L.
- V.G.

Recommendation:

Pending receipt of additional information

Approve

Pending receipt of additional information

Approve

Deny; does not meet licensure requirements

Pending receipt of additional information

Ms. Klock-Powell moved, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations proposed by the committees for the Applicant Interviews as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:

Recommend Closure:

COMP160110, COMP160145, COMP170004, COMP170026, COMP170061, COMP170063, COMP170067, COMP170088, COMP170100, COMP170102, COMP170112, COMP170127, COMP170029, COMP170137, COMP170138, COMP170139, COMP170140, COMP170144, COMP170152, COMP170153, COMP180004, COMP180007, COMP180009, COMP180017, COMP180022, COMP180023, COMP180024, COMP180031, COMP180037

Recommend for Investigative Interview:

COMP180010 & COMP180015, COMP180054

Recommend Referral to AG's Office:

COMP140019, COMP150121, COMP160024, COMP160071, COMP160124, COMP170008, COMP170016, COMP170118, COMP180030 and COMP180033

Recommend Referral to Investigations:

COMP170141, COMP180032, COMP180051

Pending Receipt of Additional Information:

COMP170063, COMP170145, COMP170151, COMP170154, COMP180012, COMP180014, COMP180019, COMP180020, COMP180025, COMP180028, COMP180034, COMP180041

Investigative Interviews Conducted:

COMP170057 - (09/07/2017)
COMP170112 - (09/07/2017)
COMP170118 - (09/07/2017)
COMP170149 - (09/07/2017)
COMP180008
COMP180033
COMP180038

Recommendation:

Close
Close
Refer to AG's office
Close w/ LOC
Pending receipt of additional information
Refer to AG's office
Table for Further Investigation

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP140019, COMP150121 & COMP170008 to the AG's office as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP170118 and COMP180033 to the AG's office as presented. None oppose, motion carried.

Mr. Marion motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP160024, COMP160071, COMP160124, COMP170016 and COMP180030 to the AG's office as presented. None oppose, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Practices Committee report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Betsy Cohen, Assistant Attorney General provided a status report which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

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| • Sheila Hutto | Ratify acceptance of Voluntary Surrender docketed 09-20-17 |
| • S.Z. | Accept signed Voluntary Surrender upon receipt |

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of Sheila Hutto and S.Z. presented to the Board by the Assistant Attorney General, and in addition, for the Boards Executive Director to sign the signed Orders received between meetings by express permission and to submit for docketing. None opposed; motion carried.

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- August 11, 2017
- September 7, 2017 PPC

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the August 11, 2017 Executive Session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the September 7, 2017 Executive Session Professional Practices Committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- August 11, 2017 Board Meeting
- September 29, 2017 SW-PSC

Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the August 11, 2017 Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to approve the September 29, 2017 SW-PSC meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- ASWB Annual Meeting of Delegates Assembly
- Nick Atlas – Re CE Board Rule 135-9-.01
- Christie Belle – AMFT Requirements
- Gale Macke – LPCA Report – *Board Information Only*
- Jamie Hall – Ethical Question
- Angela Hurst – Re Rule 135-5-.04
- Thuydy Hurst – Re MFT Requirements
- Jessica Perez – SW Question
- Sonia Levine – RE Request for supervisor approval for Public C.O.
- **Application File Requests:** Documents requesting to be released
 - Alissa Heil – Release of supervision documents to MS
 - Bari-Lisa Goff – Release of entire application to LA
 - Heather Triggs – Release of exam score report
 - Julie Matsunaga – Release of entire application file to WI
 - Lisa Gentry – Release of exam score report
 - Michelle Forgey – Release of application file and references to TX
 - Vanessa Bonaparte – Release of application file and exam scores to MS
 - Hollie Pryor – Release of exam scores

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the file contents for all requests referenced above as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve one delegate, either Endsley Real or Ben Marion, to attend the 2017 ASWB Annual Meeting of the Delegate Assembly to serve as a representative of the Board,. None opposed, motion carried.

Petitions for Waiver/Variance:

- T. Frye
- N. Brown
- N. Ghali
- B. Hardee
- C. Kinard
- S. Paragon
- I. Eupha
- A. Gruler
- J. Sullivan

Recommendation:

Grant
Deny
Deny
Grant
Deny; file new petition with supporting documentation
Deny
Pending receipt of additional information
Deny
Deny

Mr. Marion motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition requests for T. Frye and B. Hardee as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition requests for N. Brown, N. Ghali, C. Kinard, S. Paragon, A. Gruler, and J. Sullivan as presented for failure to substantiate a verifiable and demonstrable hardship as required by law. None opposed, motion carried

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to pend the petition request for I. Eupha upon receipt of supporting documentation as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Full Board Appearances (Open):

- Zeiliger, Tanya
- Qualls, Margaret
- Flood, Michelle
- Pelaez, Sarita

Recommendation:

Pending receipt of additional information
Cancelled
Rescind denial; approve to sit for exam
Pending receipt of additional information

Mr. Black moved, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to rescind the previous denial of Ms. Flood's application of licensure. After reviewing the new supporting documentation received during her appearance, the Board voted to approve her application for licensure. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 08/08/2017 - 09/06/2017

CSW006174	Christina A Austin-Valere
CSW006175	Nikita L Banks
CSW006176	Ashley Nicole Cross
CSW006177	Vanessa Diane Cox
CSW006178	Denita J Dickson
CSW006179	Elizabeth Kaye Johnson
CSW006180	Nancy Sutton Leskosky
CSW006181	Rhonda Gail Mason
CSW006182	Elaine Maye
CSW006183	Charlotte Elizabeth Warren
CSW006184	Julie Melissa Weaver
CSW006185	Marie Danie Cadet
CSW006186	Beda Idsa Roberts
CSW006187	Sharon Threatt Kirkland
CSW006188	Allyson Allen Robinson
CSW006189	Shawn Marie Austin
CSW006190	Eric Scott Nelson
CSW006191	Latoria Rachel Bass
CSW006192	Jessica Lauren Packman
CSW006193	Karen Warren Rosas
CSW006194	Sonia Yaritza Martinez
CSW006195	Julie Gumban Roberts
CSW006196	Steven Alexander Neals
CSW006197	LaKeshia Charelle Gonzalez
CSW006198	Miesha Nanette Rhodes

CSW006199	Leah Kathleen Taylor
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License No	Licensee
APC006034	Benjamin Giles Adamson
APC006035	Lisa Jovy Aguilar
APC006036	Amanda Lynn Bunton
APC006037	Melissa Anne Cammack
APC006038	Christine J Cole
APC006039	Danita Renee Duncan
APC006040	Annika Fairbairn
APC006041	Simon John Fragakis
APC006042	Caressa Latrese Harp
APC006043	Andrew Mark Haynes
APC006044	Brooke Adams Lopes
APC006045	Katie Ann Meade
APC006046	Peter Joseph Oslin
APC006047	Kelli Rae Spencer
APC006048	Sera Funda Turgut
APC006049	Rachel Helen Willis
APC006050	Bianca Tiara-Rios Abrams
APC006051	Norah Fahad Aldawsari
APC006052	Melvin Joseph Bennett
APC006053	Stacey Dougan
APC006054	Zadian Alecia Drummond Carey
APC006055	Mary Caroline Graham
APC006056	Cindy Fleming Hardy
APC006057	Tierra Cheyenne McIntosh
APC006058	Laura Michelle Tilton
APC006059	Dusty Lynn West
APC006060	Geordache Michel
APC006061	Daniel Steven McCance
APC006062	Hailey Denise Silvey

MFT001570	Virginia Elizabeth Abell
MFT001571	Tonja Patrice Dunbar
MFT001572	Christine Angela Hogan
MFT001573	Annai Lopez-Tavira Cruz
MFT001574	Allison Laura O'Brien
MFT001575	Mallory M Sims
MFT001576	Kassondra Suzanne Taylor
MFT001577	Julianne Giorgianni
MSW007981	Johnnie LaFerrell Alexander
MSW007982	Andrea Kim Blackwell
MSW007983	Brooke Bohannon Blume
MSW007984	Norah Elise Briden
MSW007985	Janet Elizabeth Justice
MSW007986	Sandra H Lowe

LPC009725	Brad R Bernstein
LPC009726	Alicia Comaneci Curry
LPC009727	Mikela Phenice DeJesus
LPC009728	Kevin John Elmore
LPC009729	LaToya M Harris-Freeman
LPC009730	Deborah Lynn Marion
LPC009731	Tamara Lynn Starnes
LPC009732	Cynthia Stanga Thomas
LPC009733	Sherri Spires Armitage
LPC009734	Jeremia Danielle Brown
LPC009735	Dametria L Carson
LPC009736	Bibiana Queiroz Galvao Carvalho
LPC009737	Carlyn Defnall Clawson
LPC009738	Shelley Ann Dacey
LPC009739	Clinton David Decker
LPC009740	Catelyn Dake Durham
LPC009741	Denise Sigrid Field
LPC009742	Stephanie Foxman
LPC009743	Jamie Lee Gaddy
LPC009744	Renzo Guillermo Gobeia
LPC009745	Stephanie Jones Headen
LPC009746	Marlo M Keenan
LPC009747	Allison Paige Rains Layman
LPC009748	Kristin Elizabeth Mock
LPC009749	Kristy Lynn Mycroft
LPC009750	Stephanie Brown Norton
LPC009751	Jaymina Kirit Patel
LPC009752	Anne Adrianne Rice
LPC009753	Ruth Santos- Ortiz
LPC009754	Michael Scott Smith
LPC009755	Misti Ann Storie
LPC009756	Sherita Jenkins Tartt
LPC009757	Ashley Harris Whitfield
LPC009758	Deshona Andrea Charles
LPC009759	Kianna Rayshelle Wynn
LPC009760	Brittany Blough De Plato
LPC009761	Stacy Elizabeth Franklin
LPC009762	Rebecca Asarah Morgan
LPC009763	Tania Van Rochelle-Catoe
LPC009764	Janet Elaine Pace
LPC009765	Audra Oxley Barr
LPC009766	Christi Lyn Bartolomucci
LPC009767	Elijah Lee Carter
LPC009768	Fawzia Aziz Khan
LPC009769	Tiy-E Qayyim Muhammad
LPC009770	Kesley Terrell Rankins
LPC009771	Tavorris Delone White

MSW007987	Jennifer Rene' McKinney
MSW007988	Johnny Lee Mitchell
MSW007989	Karrie Rebecca Roberts
MSW007990	Crystal Vanessa Crick
MSW007991	Shaquanus Kemon Dailey
MSW007992	Kathleen Reidy Dukes
MSW007993	Alexzandria Nicole Clemmons
MSW007994	Evelyn Nicole Roberts
MSW007995	Samone Sharia Williams
MSW007996	Marquetta Monique Lee
MSW007997	Anisha Renae Scott
MSW007998	Lindsay Caroline White
MSW007999	Simone Cooper Branton
MSW008000	Vera Milton Matthews
MSW008001	Arianna Raquel Villegas
MSW008002	David Roland Gray
MSW008003	Erin Lightfoot Cantrell
MSW008004	Sophia Ngoc Huynh

MSW008005	Courtney Renee Woods
MSW008006	Sydney Battle Harvey
MSW008007	Kimberly Paige Sullivan
MSW008008	Megan McKeever
MSW008009	Morgan Sparkman
MSW008010	Michael Alexis McGadney
MSW008011	Katie Moraitakis Beebe
MSW008012	Ryan Craft
MSW008013	Kelly Rose Dumont
MSW008014	Jamilla Makia Isom-Sakers
MSW008015	Corrine Patricia Pruitt
MSW008016	Ashley Nicole Smith

MSW008017	Sarah Ansley Spinks
MSW008018	Yanique Shenequa Cox
MSW008019	Deshanae Unique Benjamin
MSW008020	Andrew Richard Hebert
MSW008021	Henrienne Hope Mixon
MSW008022	Kierra Sade Allen
MSW008023	Tammy Leah Cauthern
MSW008024	Amber Hill Cooper
MSW008025	Amber Kelly Tilghman

Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the August 8, 2017 – September 6, 2017 Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 09/07/2017 - 10/03/2017

License No.	Licensee
AMFT000508	Kathlyn Freeman Wohlrabe
APC006063	Megan Lynn Abbott
APC006064	Chelsea Ricky Banal
APC006065	Jamie Leigh Brown
APC006066	Jai-Sheena Garnett
APC006067	Dawn Angelique Lattimore
APC006068	Bianca Naomi Poindexter
APC006069	KeiNetha Camille Powers
APC006070	Sandra Jo Schoepke
CSW006200	Tomekia Sherie Blackmon
CSW006201	Bela Sonia Amaral
CSW006202	April Marie Hicks
CSW006203	Catherine Berry Moon
CSW006204	Christopher David Williams
CSW006205	Carey Kenneth Parrott
CSW006206	Marion Goodloe Smyser
CSW006207	Debra Denise Brooks
CSW006208	Ebony L McGriff
CSW006209	Lindsey York Epperson
CSW006210	Stephanie Jean Moyal
CSW006211	Brandi Michelle Williams
CSW006212	Katherine Michelle Andrade
CSW006213	Erin Camille Nghe
CSW006214	Amber Lynn Spezzano
CSW006215	Stacey Wolfe Froelich
CSW006216	Corinne Chivonne Turner
LPC009772	Kristen Scarborough Meintzer

MSW008026	Mark William Flanagan
MSW008027	Adekunle Lukman Adebayo
MSW008028	Suelan I Battiste
MSW008029	Melissa Ashanti McFarlane
MSW008030	Opeyemi Abdullahi Quadri
MSW008031	Victoria Elizabeth Chen
MSW008032	Megan Marie Cushman
MSW008033	Dominique Desire Harris
MSW008034	Caitlin O'Steen Laben
MSW008035	Samantha Veena Whisler
MSW008036	Lucia Gale Caltabiano
MSW008037	Mark William Navarre-Jones
MSW008038	Sabrina Simone Brown
MSW008039	Anna Elizabeth Chaney
MSW008040	Gilan Mundagar Merwanji
MSW008041	Crystal L Troy
MSW008042	Gabriela Abreu
MSW008043	Jonathan Thomas Jornlid
MSW008044	Chattrelle Nicole Gillyard
MSW008045	Jenna Lynn Lamont
MSW008046	Christian Stephanie Brown
MSW008047	Caroline Marie Allen
MSW008048	John Robert Burroughs
MSW008049	Brooke Elana Hill
MSW008050	Rebecca Christine Barnum
MSW008051	Meagan Rochee Baxter
MSW008052	Courtney Elyse Odum
MSW008053	Tanesha Jeanetta Womack
MSW008054	Kelly Melinda Autry
MSW008055	Stephanie Nicole Feely
MSW008056	Jamisha Rachelle Turner
MSW008057	Chase Cameron Beckworth
MSW008058	Taylor Janay Davis

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Real seconded, and the Board voted to accept the September 7, 2017 – October 3, 2017 Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report: Steve Livingston, MFT

Mr. Livingston had no report to present to the Board during today's meeting.

Executive Directors Report:

- FAQs – Rule 135-12-.01 &.02

Executive Director, B. Zimmerman, presented to the Board a list of Frequently Asked Questions acquired through e-mails, faxes and phone calls from licensees related to the newly adopted Board Rule 135-12 Testing and Assessments, specifically the training requirements. Following discussion and finalization, the Board voted to post the FAQs on the Board's website for reference for licensees and other interested parties.

Rules Discussion:

- 135-3-.01 General Procedure
- 135-5-.05 Associate Marriage and Family Therapists
- 135-5-.06 Marriage and Family Therapists

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to submit the above proposed rule amendments as presented to the Attorney General's Office for a memo of statutory authority, and upon receipt to post the proposed rule amendments for the minimum thirty days required for public view and comment with a public rules hearing/adoption to be scheduled the next available scheduled Board meeting. None opposed, motion carried

Associations – Board Update: Association updates were provided by Ms. Karen Starks with NASW GA and Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA.

Committee Meetings:

The Licensed Professional Counselor's Professional Standards Committee requested to meet in person in Executive Session on Thursday prior to the November 3, 2017 scheduled Board meeting to review complaint cases and conduct investigative interviews. The committee will be scheduled to meet in the Board offices, in executive session, on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 10:00 am.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Ms. Real motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist, HC-1

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

STEVE LIVINGSTON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: **November 3, 2017**